

CRACK PRIVATE BASE BALL TEAM.



Fortunate indeed are the members of the Mountain Athletic Club, constituting the private base ball team of Mayor Julius Fleischman, of Cincinnati. They wear a gaudy uniform of blue, with the club name in red letters across their breasts, and travel only in Pullman cars. Once a week they are serenaded by a brass band, and they live on the fat of the land, with an occasional streak of lean, at a swell hotel. Their refectory is ornamented with showy pearl buttons.

The World of Sport.

BROOKLYN still maintains the National League lead and as things at present stand look as though the season of 1900 will close finding Hanlon's men the proud possessors of another pennant. Pittsburgh has now gained on Philadelphia, and as the Quakers seem to have taken a slump it looks as though Clarke and his Pirates will probably beat them out. Boston has taken a new lease of life, and is hot on Chicago's heels, and St. Louis, Cincinnati and New York lag along disconsolately bringing up the rear.

leads in total extra base hits and Brooklyn in stolen bases. Pick and Sargent of Chicago, are having a close race as to home run hitting honors, and also in base stealing. Jesse Burkett is hitting the leather with might and main of late. In Wednesday's game with Philadelphia, he lined out a home run, a double and two singles. Short Stop Cargo, of Springfield, had an awful day last Friday and made six glaring errors.

YESTERDAY'S BALL GAMES

Table listing baseball games from the National League, American League, and Eastern League, including scores and key players.

Right From the Bat UMPIRE Cantillon, in the American League, performed something suspiciously like a miracle the other day by making Dummy Hoy, the center fielder of Comiskey's Chicago White Stockings, speak. Hoy, as all know, is a mute, which, however, does not prevent his being a rattling good player. In a recent game Cantillon called Hoy out at first on a close decision. Dick Padden, Buckley and others of the Chicago made a rush towards the umpire, objecting fiercely, and Hoy strode up to him and muttered in a thick, guttural voice, "no, no," which is about the extent of his vocabulary.

Among the Pugs THERE will be a fight that will be a battle worth the seeing, when McGovern and Joe Gans meet, if the match can ever be made. Two of the greatest little fighters in the country will come together in the ring and for ten rounds do their best to put each other out of the game. McGovern will be handicapped in that his opponent will weigh in at 133 pounds, at least five pounds more of weight than the chunky little Brooklynite will carry, and to offset this advantage in weight Gans is compelled to knock Terry out in less than ten rounds. If at the conclusion of this limited number of rounds McGovern still is on his feet he wins the title of victor and the lion's share of the purse. Al Herford, Gans' manager, is trying to arrive at satisfactory arrangements with Sam Harris, who looks after Terry, and has all ready his posting of a \$2,000 forfeit.

A Novel Lawn Entertainment to Be Held This Afternoon. The Abington summer residents and the all the year round people have a treat in store this afternoon. Eight scenes from "Robin Hood" will be given on the grounds of the Palmer household, for the benefit of the Glenburn free library, at 4:30 o'clock, followed by afternoon tea and light refreshments. The charm of these sylvan doings is very great. The programme follows: SCENE FIRST. A glide in Sherwood forest. There entereth Robin Hood's merry men, singing. "We roam and rove in Sherwood's grove beneath the greenwood tree."

Christy Mathewson, the Factoryville boy, who formerly pitched for the Y. M. C. A. and Honoluleu teams, is now on the staff of the New York National League team. Mathewson pitched in the Southern league this year, and his wonderful work in winning twenty-one games out of the twenty-three he pitched drew the attention of Captain Davis of the Giants. Mathewson has not yet been given a fair chance to demonstrate his ability, as he has not twirled an entire game, but has only been put in the box after one of the pitchers was batted out. It would not be a bad idea if Davis would allow the big blonde to pitch a game now and then and relieve Carrick and Hawley, who are the twirled hands rather than any two pitchers in the National League. Mathewson has the ability to shine in fast company, and his friends are all watching his career eagerly. In addition to having a strong arm, fine speed and deceptive curves, Mathewson fields his position well and is a fair batsman.

Arrangements are now being made for a great benefit to be given John L. August 29. James Kennedy has turned the Madison Square Garden over to the committee in charge for the night, and arrangements are now being completed to conduct the affair on a very large scale. Subscriptions are pouring in from all over the country and pugilists of all sorts and conditions, big and little, are offering their services to add to the entertainment. Senator Timothy D. Sullivan is chairman of the testimonial committee.

Snake Enters Residence at Greenwood and Frightens Young Lady. From Greenwood there comes a snake story, a story which is a story. Thursday evening a large blacksnake, entered the residence of Timothy Cotter, and noisily writhed his way to the sleeping chamber of Miss Cotter, where he remained unseen and unheard until the hour arrived when the family retired for the night. As Miss Cotter drew near the spot where the snake was lying, he made a sudden, quick rush, and wound himself around one of her nether limbs. The young lady almost swooned from fright. The reptile drew its folds tighter, and Miss Cotter shrieked loudly for aid. Her brothers responded, armed with base ball bats, and after removing the reptile, brought his career to an end by several severe blows.

Jack Shearon has been released by Buffalo and signed by Chicago. Another great game was played in the American League Wednesday, when Indianapolis and Detroit struggled for fifteen innings and finally the Hoosiers won out by the score of 4-2. Kelly, the Indianapolis first baseman, accepted 28 out of 29 chances, having 25 putouts, three assists and one error. Milwaukee signed Abbaticchio, the Italian second baseman released by Minneapolis.

When the ancient Olympic games were revived in '96, and held at Athens, no country took a greater interest in the sports or contributed more to their success than this country, and it seems fitting that the United States should soon be favored with this grand carnival of athletes of all nations. It was intended to have the sports in England in 1904 and in America in 1906, but it is likely that John Bull will relinquish his prior claim and concede the game to Jonathan. There is no doubt but that a keener interest will be taken in the sports if held on American soil, than in any other country, for it is doubtful if there is a nation on earth which takes the interest in athletics that Americans do. England alone can be mentioned in the same breath with the states in the matter of admiration for athletics and athletes.

And now we begin to hear the first notes of the approaching football campaign, and the same press bureau which gives the report that the allied forces are in great perplexity because of General Woo Chang's inexplicable retreat from Fung Ling, tells that Captain Pell is expected soon at Princeton and that an air of gloom pervades the entire college, owing to the apparent weakness of this year's line-to-be. Pell himself, will be back at tackle, and will be about the only

OPERATORS WILL NOT MEET MINERS

UNITED MINE WORKERS GOVERNED BY WESTERN MEN.

They Have the Interests of Bituminous Regions at Heart—Not Competent to Govern the Hard Coal Miners—An Answer Is Given to the List of Grievances—Strike Not Probable.

Wilkes-Barre, Aug. 17.—It is stated authoritatively tonight that the coal operators of the anthracite region will not accept the invitation of the United Mine Workers to meet in joint conference to discuss grievances. The operators will say that there are no grievances to discuss. A list of answers have been prepared by the operators in reply to each grievance put forth by the convention of United Mine Workers held in Hazleton this week.

In the first place, the anthracite operators say that the anthracite miners are governed by western men, who have the interests of the bituminous regions at heart and not the interests of the hard coal region. In the second place, there is an appreciable difference in the conditions of bituminous and anthracite miners, but always in the former's favor. There is a reason, of course, but the operators in the anthracite are not responsible. There is a greater demand for soft coal than for anthracite.

The price per car has not been reduced in years, they are numbered and the dockage does not exceed 4 per cent. at any of the collieries. It is absurd to say that it reaches 25 per cent. Sooner than take 25 cars from an output of 100, the companies would tell the man his services were no longer needed. There are printed rules, which vary according to the vein. In some veins the coal is dirtier than in others. A man is suspended for one day when his coal contains slate or dirt in excess of 200 pounds per car. In veins where the coal is very dirty, the companies allow 800 pounds the miner is suspended two days, third offense, three days, and so until if the miner shows no disposition to clean his coal he is discharged. It is not correct to say that a miner has no representation in the matter of dockage. The companies side-track his car, unload it and pick out the slate. He is at liberty at all times to stand by and inspect the work during its progress.

Answer to Grievances.

- 1. We have not increased the weight of coal sent out in a car, because for years we have insisted on six inches topping at the breaker, but no more than that. 2. The prices vary for certain kinds of work, as, in fact, they should. The price from narrow works runs from \$1.10 to \$2.50 per yard, according to the vein in which such work is being done. It is not optional with the mine foreman to fix a price. We have a schedule which we insist shall be observed by every mine foreman and any deviation therefrom is met with the punishment of discharge, even at the sacrifice of an otherwise competent foreman. 3. Our rule has been to deduct no wages for stoppages less than twenty minutes. 4. In this vicinity coal is not paid for by the ton, but by the Schuylkill region it is. The miner there, however, when he speaks of the legal weight, 2,240 pounds per ton, fails to add that this weight is what obtains on the scales ready for shipment.

D. L. & W. BOARD FOR TODAY.

- Following is the make-up of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western board for today: Friday, Aug. 17. 8:30 p. m.—Hose, with Bennett's men. 11:30 p. m.—Mosier. Saturday, Aug. 18. 12:30 a. m.—Collins. 3 a. m.—Van Fleet. 5 a. m.—D. Wallace. 8 a. m.—S. Carmody. 10 a. m.—Burkhardt. 1 p. m.—M. Booth. 3:30 p. m.—Singer. 4:45 p. m.—Hill. SUMMITTS. 7 a. m.—North—Froudfeller. 8 a. m.—North—Hennigan with Ludlow's men. 9 a. m.—North—J. Hennigan with Ludlow's men. 10 a. m.—Stack. PUSHERS. 5 a. m.—Hosier. 11 a. m.—Moran. 7 p. m.—Murphy. 9 p. m.—Baker. PASSENGER ENGINES. 6:30 p. m.—Magovern. WILD CATS NORTH. 5 a. m.—Ketchum. 7 a. m.—Carrigan. 7 a. m.—Hammitt. 8 a. m.—Mullen. 10 a. m.—Hennigan. 1 p. m.—C. Kinsley. 2 p. m.—M. J. Hennigan. 5 p. m.—Pitpatrick. 6 p. m.—Fishing. 7 p. m.—D. Wallace. 9 p. m.—O'Hara. NOTICE. Passenger Engine No. 699, W. D. Ward and crew leave Scranton at 7 a. m., Aug. 18, for Pittston to handle excursion train. Three engine crews and A. Gerrity and crew leave Scranton at 7 a. m., Aug. 18, for Summit. Three engine crews and McLane and crew will go to Cayuga, Aug. 18, for Summit. T. E. Clarke, Supt.

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